

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:)
C. Randal Mills *et al.*)
Serial No.: 10/828,653) **Electronically filed on April 18, 2008**
Filed: April 20, 2004)
For: Process and Apparatus for)
Treating Implants Comprising)
Soft Tissue)
Examiner: Regina M. Yoo)
Group Art Unit: 3738)
Confirmation No.: 4918)

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 18, 2007

SUBMISSION WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper responds to a final Office Action mailed October 18, 2007. This paper is submitted with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the requisite fee. This response is timely as it includes with a Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time and the requisite fee, extending the deadline for response to April 18, 2008.

A Listing of the Claims begin at page 2 of this paper. No amendments are being made to the claims, but the status of various claims has changed.

Remarks begin at page 12 of this paper.